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Dear Mr. Rogers:

This is in reference to my FOIA appeal addressed to your office by letter dated December 20, 1976, and your response thereto, dated February 7, 1977. My request was for all records relating in any manner to the photographs and X-rays of President Kennedy taken during his autopsy (but not including the actual photos and X-rays). That request was initiated in my letter to the Justice Department dated September 7, 1976. Please note that I have since changed my address.

With regard to your letter of February 7, please note the following:

1. I am still pursuing my request with the FBI and the Criminal Division.

2. You informed me that my appeal from the action of the Civil Rights Division had been assigned number 2695. I would like to know the status of that appeal.

3. You informed me that my request had been forwarded to the Office of Legal Counsel and the Office of the Attorney General and that I would receive responses "from each office shortly." The Office of Legal Counsel did respond promptly and was of considerable help to me in furnishing records relevant to my request. Ms. Mary C. Lawton showed consideration in reducing search and copying fees. However, I have yet to hear a word from the Office of the Attorney General. I hope you will see to it that I do receive a response from that office, since it is almost certain to have records relevant to my request. For example, when he was Attorney General, Ramsey Clark appointed two panels, one in 1967, the other in 1968, to examine and report to him on the photos and X-rays. I have the reports of these two panels, but there surely must be other records concerning their formation and operation.

4. To my knowledge, my request has not yet been forwarded to the Civil Division. I would like it to be, as I have reason to believe that division would possess relevant records. For example, in a letter to Barefoot Sanders, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, dated Feb. 23, 1967, Secret Service Chief James J. Rowley forwarded "the statement requested of the Secret Service concerning the custody of the photographs of the autopsy..." I would want a copy of this request, the Rowley letter, the enclosed statement, and all records relating to why the statement was requested and what was done with it after it was received.

Sincerely,

Howard Roffman